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DEPARTMENT PASS TREASURY FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ASSET CONTROL - REQUEST OF VIETNAMESE AMBASSADOR
TO UNBLOCK ACCOUNTS

REF: STATE 102400

1. VIETNAMESE AMBASSADOR, DUONG HOANG THANH, HAS REQUESTED
BY LETTER DATED MAY 12, 1975, THAT EMBASSY ASSIST IN OBTAINING
TREASURY APPROVAL FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS FROM THE FOLLOWING
ACCOUNTS:

- A. U.S. DOLLAR CHECKING ACCOUNT #10972129 WITH FNCB
NEW YORK;
- B. PESO CHECKING ACCOUNT \$393223 WITH FNCB MANILA
- C. PESO SAVINGS ACCOUNT #22997 WITH FNCB MANILA

2. ACCORDING TO AMBASSADOR THANH, ALL FUNDS TO BE WITH-
DRAWN WILL BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH CLOSING DOWN THE
MISSION; PARTICULARLY IN PAYMENT OF SECOND QUARTER SALARY,
UTILITY AND RENTAL PAYMENTS AS WELL AS SEVERANCE PAY TO
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LOCAL EMPLOYEES, SOME OF WHOM HAVE BEEN WITH THE

MISSION AS MUCH AS 19 YEARS. THE AMBASSADOR ESTIMATES THAT AN APPROXIMATE \$40,000 ON DEPOSIT IN THE NEW YORK ACCOUNT WHICH REPRESENTS NORMAL QUARTERLY COST OF OPERATING THE MISSION, WILL BE HARDLY SUFFICIENT TO COVER ALL COSTS INVOLVED, PARTICULARLY IF LOCAL LABOR LAWS ARE OBSERVED ON SEVERANCE PAY. FNCB MANILA AND AMBASSADOR THANH REPORT THAT A CHECK HAD ALREADY BEEN PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT ON APRIL 30 WHEN WORD OF THE BLOCKING WAS RECEIVED. FNCB HAS DEFERRED PAYMENT PENDING TREASURY ACTION.

3. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, ALL MEMBERS OF THE VIETNAMESE MISSION INCLUDING AMBASSADOR THANH HAVE ASKED FOR PAROLE INTO THE UNITED STATES. WE BELIEVE THAT ALL ASSETS REQUESTED ARE APPROPRIATE TO THE CLOSING OF THE VIETNAMESE MISSION AND WE RECOMMEND TREASURY APPROVAL OF THIS REQUEST. SULLIVAN

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